HOUSE BILL 3081

By McCord

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351, relative to eligibility to obtain a handgun carry permit.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(c), is amended by deleting the semicolon (;) at the end of subdivision (12) and substituting instead a period (.) and the following language:

However, an applicant who has voluntarily been committed to or hospitalized in a mental institution may obtain a handgun carry permit after seven (7) years following the date of release from such commitment or hospitalization if such applicant also has a certificate from a psychiatrist licensed in this state stating that during such seven year period the applicant exhibited no signs of mental illness and the applicant is not a danger to himself or society.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.